

MUST YOU PAY TAX ON YOUR INCOME?

Matter That Every American Is Called On to Determine Without Delay.

MARCH 1 LIMIT FOR RETURNS

Failure to File Them Involves Severe Penalties—Taxpayers Will Be Assisted by Treasury Officials in Every County.

Washington.—The time has arrived for every American subject to the income tax division of the war revenue act to figure up his income and file his return. If he is unmarried and has a net income of \$1,000 or more, or if he is married or the head of a family and his net income is \$2,000 or more, he must pay the tax. His return must be in the hands of the collector of internal revenue in the district in which the taxpayer lives or has his principal place of business before March 1, 1918.

The man who thinks to evade this tax is making a serious error. Revenue officials will be in every county to check returns. Failure to make a correct return within the time specified involves heavy penalties.

"Net income" means gross income less certain deductions provided for by the act. The law defines income as profit, gain, wages, salary, commissions, money or its equivalent from professions, vocations, commerce, trade, rents, sales and dealings in property, real and personal, and interest from investments except interest from government bonds, or state, municipal township or county bonds. Income from service as guardian, trustee or executor; from dividends, pensions, royalties, or patents; or oil and gas wells, coal land, etc., are taxable.

Normal Rate Is 2 Per Cent.

The normal rate of tax is 2 per cent on net income above the amount of exemptions, which is \$2,000 in the case of a married person or head of a family and \$1,000 in the case of a single person. A married person or head of a family is allowed an additional exemption of \$200 for each dependent child if under eighteen years of age or incapable of self-support because defective. The taxpayer is considered to be the head of a family if he is actually supporting one or more persons closely connected with him by blood relationship or relationship by marriage, or if his duty to support such person is based on some moral or legal obligation.

Debts ascertained to be worthless and charged off within the year and taxes paid except income taxes and those assessed against local benefits are deductible. These and other points of the income tax section of the war revenue act will be fully explained by revenue officers who will visit every county in the United States between January 2 and March 1 to assist taxpayers in making out their returns.

Officers to Visit Every Locality.

Notice of their arrival in each locality will be given in advance through the press, banks and post offices. They will be supplied with income tax forms copies of which may be obtained also from collectors of internal revenue.

The bureau of internal revenue is seeking to impress upon persons subject to the tax the fact that failure to see this official in no way relieves them of the duty imposed by law to file their returns within the time specified.

The penalty for failure to make the return on time is a fine of not less than \$20 nor more than \$1,000, and in addition 50 per cent of the amount of the tax due. For making a false or fraudulent return, the penalty is a fine not to exceed \$2,000 or not exceeding one year's imprisonment, or both, in the discretion of the court, and in addition 100 per cent of the tax evaded.

As to the Farmers.

The number of farmers who will pay income taxes has not been estimated by the government officials, but it is certain they will form a large percentage of the 6,000,000 persons assessed who never before have paid an income tax. The average farmer does not keep books but if he avails himself of the services of government experts who will be sent to aid him, it will not be difficult for him to ascertain the amount of his net income.

The farmer is making out his return may deduct depreciation in the value of property and machinery used in the conduct of his farm, and loss by fire, storm or other casualty, or by theft if not covered by insurance. Expenses actually incurred in farm operation may be deducted, but not family or living expense. Produce raised on the farm and traded for groceries, wearing apparel, etc., is counted as living expenditures and cannot be deducted.

Pilgrim Got By.

A seven-year-old was asked by his teacher at the primary school to produce a composition upon the subject of his favorite literary work. The youngster went into executive session with himself and turned out the following succinct criticism of a well-known and popular classic:

"The Book I like best is called Pilgrim's Progress. My mother reads this Book to me every Night before I go to Bed. I love to hear about the Pilgrim. He had a hard time, but he got by."—Saturday Evening Post.

GERMAN PEOPLE FACE STARVATION

HUNDREDS DIE AND SUFFERING PEOPLE REFUSE TO REMAIN SILENT.

LEAFLETS ARE IN CIRCULATION

Bread Riots Expected in Russia as Supplies Are Cut Down—Cuba Also to Have a Few Wheat-less Days.

"What was uncertain last year has now become a bitter reality. It can no longer be denied that people are starving by the hundreds in Germany."

This statement was just made by a Dutchman who has just spent five weeks traveling through Germany. Leaflets are in circulation all over Germany, he says, containing the following extract from a recently suppressed number of Vorwaerts:

Many people are dying of sheer hunger. Sixty million people are suffering. They will not always remain silent. Germany is on the verge of a catastrophe worse than Russia, namely, a German defeat and loss of the whole war.

Any person found possessing a copy of the leaflet is liable to arrest and a heavy sentence of imprisonment.

London.—The Petrograd correspondent of The Times telegraphed: "Starvation seems to be staring us in the face. Bread riots may occur at any moment."

Havana.—The last of the available supply of flour has been divided among the hospitals and asylums and, by an order of the Defense Board, no wheat is to be placed on sale. This condition must continue, it is stated, until the United States Food Administration permits exportation of flour to this city.

FIRST TO RATIFY "DRY" LAW

Mississippi Legislature Takes Action Within Few Minutes After Introduction.

Jackson, Miss.—Fifteen minutes after the subject was presented in Gov. Bilbo's message to the State Legislature, both houses ratified the proposed prohibition amendment to the federal constitution. Only eight dissenting votes were cast. The Mississippi assembly is the first to act on the proposed amendment.

Other legislatures which are meeting or will meet this year and which may act on the prohibition amendment are those of Kentucky, Maryland, Virginia, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, North Carolina, Louisiana and Georgia. Prohibition prevails in Virginia, North Carolina and Georgia.

ASKS FREEDOM FOR IRELAND

German Socialist Suggests Independence for India and Other Colonies.

Amsterdam.—German political leader want Premier Lloyd George's plan for self-determination of all peoples to be applied to Egypt, Ireland and India—according to an interview received here.

"If Lloyd George is really sincere," declared Philip Scheidemann, leader of the majority Socialists, "how about Ireland, Egypt, Egypt and India?"

Count Westphal, leader of the German conservatives, declared:

"I suppose Britain will remove all her troops from India when the plebiscite is taken there."

VILLISTAS CAPTURE VILLAGE

Bandits Use Fine Strategy in Seizing Entrance and Valor in Holding Town.

El Paso.—Col. Escobar and 60 Carranza soldiers under his command, have been captured by Zeserino, a Villista leader, at El Valle, Chihuahua, according to reports received here.

The bandits, according to the reports here, signified their desire to surrender and entered the town to negotiate terms.

On entering they attacked the Carranza soldiers, making prisoners of the federal force and its commander and retreating into the mountains with them.

Germany Extends War Zone

London.—An extension of the submarine barred zone, is announced by the German government. The extension includes the Cape Verde Islands, French Senegal and its coast districts.

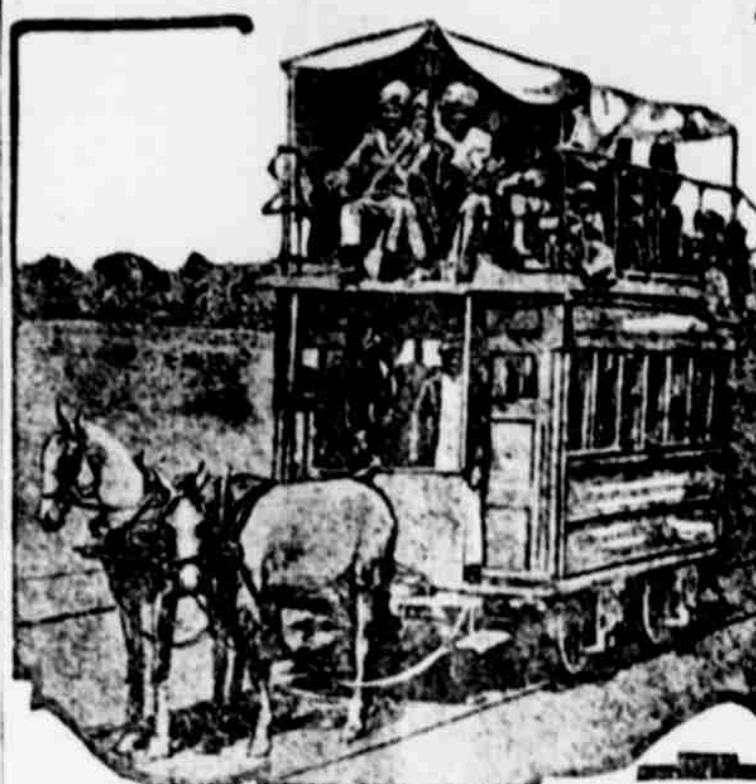
Governor General to See Wilson

Washington.—The Duke of Devonshire, newly appointed Governor-General of Canada, will call on President Wilson. The Duke and the Duchess, who accompanies him, are guests of Mr. Cecil Spring-Rice.

\$20,000 Diamond Theft

Chicago.—Private detectives and the police are engaged in a hunt for diamonds valued at \$20,000, which Miss Anna Fitz, prima donna, reported stolen from her room in a hotel.

INDIAN TROOPS AT BAGDAD ENJOY RIDE



The British forces that have conquered Bagdad have been greatly helped in their successful campaign in Mesopotamia by native Indian troops. The Indians are good fighters and are so used to their loyalty to the British empire. This British official photograph shows a car load of them enjoying a ride on the Bagdad-Kachimain railway.

SMOKING OUT GERMANS HOSPITAL VESSEL IS SUNK

WAR WORK WILL DETERMINE GERMANS TORPEDO SHIP IN CHANNEL. KAISER'S STAND.

With Our Terms Stated Next Step Is Up to Teutons—Russia the Big Problem.

Washington.—America's war work the next few months will determine Germany's attitude toward President Wilson's peace terms, officials here advised.

Meanwhile Germany may appear to yield as far as possible to the Lloyd George and Wilson terms. The extent to which she camouflages certain sections will measure just how badly she wants peace.

This is how officials prophesied the "next steps" in this mighty campaign which has already laid the foundations for peace.

1. Germany will answer the terms, accepting some, appearing to accept others.

2. She will continue a west front offensive this spring and summer. If fall finds her without a big victory to her credit she will then set about in earnest to negotiate peace.

3. Russia will do—what? If Lenin and Trotsky permit frank publication of the Wilson message in the Russian press that will mean a long stride toward swinging Russia back to the allies. If they try to suppress it totally or partially it will mean they are not to be trusted, and that Wilson's doctrine must be spread by American propaganda, slowly.

As for the United States, its position is:

Our aims have been stated: take them or leave them. Hence, it will proceed with its plans for war while at the same time it spreads in Russia and so far as possible in Austria and Germany its appeals to liberal minds to cut loose from militarism and join the new congress of nations, where all are equal.

NEW GERMAN PLOT REPORTED

Communications Are Intercepted and Evidence Is Found on Arrested Aliens.

Washington.—Through intercepted communications and evidence found on a score or more of arrested aliens, government agents report having discovered a concerted movement to reorganize German sabotage and anti-war propaganda in this country.

The movement was broken up and enemy activities now are believed to be confined to sporadic cases, carried on largely by pro-German sympathizers without guidance from a central headquarters.

FRENCH OUTLINE WAR AIMS

Minister Pichon Will Line Up With Allies in Statement of Objects.

Paris.—Minister of Foreign Affairs Pichon in the chamber of deputies will outline France's war aims, according to information.

It was stated the foreign minister would follow exactly the lines of Premier Lloyd George and President Wilson in barring to the whole world the exact aims which France has in continuing the war and the only terms on which she can consider peace.

Portuguese Sailors Mutiny

Madrid.—Another outbreak has occurred in Portugal, according to news reaching here from beyond the frontier. Crews of Portuguese warships mutinied and began bombarding the Lisbon forts, it is stated.

Woman Attendant Killed

Jacksonville, Ill.—Miss Helen Branstetter, 29, an attendant, was smothered to death at the Jacksonville state hospital for the insane by two patients. Marian Mentka of Springfield and Stella Coppa of Chicago.

Wounded Taken Off, but Three Sail Off Perish When Transport Goes to Bottom.

London.—Another British hospital ship has fallen victim to the Germans.

The Admiralty formally announced the loss through impeding of the hospital ship Heka.

Three of crew missing. The ship was sunk in the Bristol Channel on route from Gibraltar. Three of her crew were said to be missing.

The wounded aboard were transferred to patrol boats. The Admiralty announced that the ship carried all lights and markings indicating a hospital ship and that she had not been within the limits of the so-called German barred zone.

The Heka was formerly the property of the British India Steam Navigation Company, Limited, of Glasgow. She was built in 1904 and was of 7,308 tons.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS CURED

Chicago Doctor Reports Success in 80 Per Cent of 500 Cases Through Rhythmic Swings.

Chicago.—Dr. Roy Bernard of Chicago, in a clinic before the Homeopathic Society said his formula had resulted in 80 per cent of cures in 500 cases he had treated during the last four years.

Dr. Bernard, whose work has attracted nationwide attention, said that his first treatments were made with nothing but the physician's hands, the practitioner producing a number of rhythmic swings calculated to put the spinal column on the stretch and to flood with blood the lumber or cervical enlargement.

Later, to obviate the possibility of error, a suspension appliance for the patient was devised. The treatment usually lasts about three minutes daily.

NEW PEACE TERMS STATED

Hertling Asks for Return of Colonies and Tribunal to Settle Disputes.

Paris.—Count von Hertling, the German chancellor, has announced the following German peace terms, according to a Zurich dispatch printed in the Matin Zeitung as its authority.

1.—Establishment of an international tribunal for future arbitration between nations and to provide for disarmament.

2.—Return of Germany's colonies.

3.—The political integrity of Turkey to be respected.

4.—Belgium to be restored on the basis of constitutional autonomy.

5.—The occupied departments of Northern France to be given the right of self-determination on the question of restoration.

All Italians Are Drafted

Washington.—The entire civilian population of Italy has been requisitioned for the purposes of war, official cables received here announce. There will be a general mobilization, it was stated, and persons unable to bear arms will be put to work on farms.

Chicago Policeman Is Shot

Chicago.—Policeman Thomas Flynn was shot in the leg at the Southwest Trust and Savings Bank in a duel with a bandit, who he prevented from looting the institution.

Tokio.—The Impression grew that

Japan had completed all arrangements to send troops to Vladivostok on a moment's notice for protection of allied interests and to guard allied war material.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE WINS IN HOUSE

VICTORY BY MARGIN OF ONE VOTE IN LONG-FOUGHT BATTLE.

WILSON'S TALK CARRIES DAY

Legislature of Each State Will Take Action on Move So Dear to Woman's Heart—Vote 274 to 136.

Washington, D. C.—By the narrow margin of two-thirds of a vote the house of representatives adopted the resolution submitting to the states the proposed amendment to the federal constitution providing for woman suffrage. The vote was 274 to 136, the bare necessary two-thirds majority.

The resolution now goes to the senate, where an equally close contest is anticipated. Suffrage leaders who now see the fulfillment of their hopes of half a century are delirious with joy and refuse to entertain the slightest doubt of the senate's approval.

To President Wilson is given the credit by the suffragists for victory. All admit that the president's endorsement of the amendment turned the tide at the psychological moment. The president's action, it is agreed, converted just enough southern Democrats to offset the almost solid opposition of members from 1916 who feared woman suffrage would further complicate the negro question.

One Missouri representative (Meeker) and one from Illinois (Buchanan) were against the measure.

SEPARATE PEACE AGREEMENT

Russia and Bulgaria Have Agreed to Resume Intercourse and Trade.

Berne, Switzerland.—A separate peace agreement has been signed by Russia and Bulgaria, the Bund reports.

A Bulgarian correspondent of the Bund says Premier Radoslavoff read the following dispatch from Brest-Litovsk in parliament:

"War between Russia and Bulgaria ceases. Diplomatic and economic relations between Russia and Bulgaria are resumed. Russia recognizes Bulgaria's right to nominate a delegate to an international Danube commission. The first peace is thus concluded without the consent of Bulgaria's allies."

TO TAKE OVER POWER PLANT

Niagara Falls Development Company Will Be Managed by Federal Board.

Washington.—A bill to empower the president to take possession of the Niagara Falls power plants and appropriating \$25,000,000 for the purpose has been introduced by Representative Walcott of New York.

Buffalo, N. Y.—The total amount of power generated at Niagara Falls is as follows: On the American side, 230,000 horsepower; on the Canadian side, 400,000 horsepower.

Power is transported for use east as far as Syracuse, a distance of 170 miles, and west to Windsor, Ont., across the river from Detroit, a distance of 250 miles.

Hurt Celebrating Recovery

Chicago.—Dr. M. S. Oliver celebrated the recovery of a patient, Herbert Sire, by taking him for an automobile ride. The car was wrecked and both were seriously injured.

Throws Eggs at Wife

Chicago.—Josephine Hill, seeking a divorce from George M. Hill, testified he got drunk and threw a carton of eggs at her. The judge said he must have been.

Says Wife Ate Love Letter

New York.—Mrs. Maude A. Anderson, her husband told a judge in his suit for divorce, ate a note, words and all, when he found it was brimming with love.

Bradley Named Palmer's Aid

Washington.—A Mitchell Palmer, alien property custodian, announced the resignation of Moritz Rosenthal as general counsel of the custodian, and the appointment of Leo C. Bradley of Birmingham, Ala., as his successor.

Chinese Draft Dilemma

Dallas, Tex.—On Chew, a Chinese, claimed exemption because of his wife and two children, who live in China. They are in a foreign country, though," the board told Chew. "But Uncle Sam won't let me bring them here," he countered.

Kaiser's Picture Shown

Amarillo, Tex.—Henry Schroeder, said to have threatened to shoot anyone taking the Kaiser's picture from his home, is in jail in default of \$10,000 bonds. The picture came down.

"BEST MEDICINE FOR WOMEN"

What Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Did For Ohio Woman.

Portsmouth, Ohio.—"I suffered from irregularities, pains in my side and was so weak at times I could hardly get around to do my work, and as I had four in my family and three boarders it made it very hard for me. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was recommended to me. I took it and it has restored my health. It is certainly the best medicine for women's ailments I ever saw."—Mrs. SARA SHAW, R. No. 1, Portsmouth, Ohio.



Mrs. Shaw proved the merit of this medicine and wrote this letter in order that other suffering women may find relief as she did.

Women who are suffering as she was should not drag along from day to day without giving this famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, a trial. For special advice in regard to such ailments write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass. The result of its forty years experience is at your service.

Brotherhood of Man

The ideal brotherhood man must have a clear aim before him, and having this clear aim, he must interpret it in action.

IMITATION IS NICEREST FLATTERY but like counterfeit money the imitation has not the worth of the original. Insist on "La Creole" Hair Dressing—it's the original. Restore your hair in the natural way, but contains no dye. Price \$1.00—Adv.

Scarcity of Oil

Large numbers of Dutch lighthouses will shortly be extinguished or else will show a greatly diminished light, owing to the shortage of oil. This it is declared, will mean additional difficulty in the way of Danish navigation and Danish exportation towards the west. In addition the allowance of oil for domestic lighting has been greatly curtailed.

BOSCHEE'S GERMAN SYRUP

Why use ordinary cough remedies, when Boschee's German Syrup has been used so successfully for fifty-one years in all parts of the United States for coughs, bronchitis, colds settled in the throat, especially lung troubles. It gives the patient a good night's rest, free from coughing, with easy expectation in the morning, gives nature a chance to soothe the inflamed parts, throw off the disease, helping the patient to regain his health. Sold in all civilized countries. 30 and 60 cent bottles—Adv.

To Clean Furniture

If instead of sprays of ammonia, reimpregnated oil be used in cleaning furniture, it will not only remove the white stains, but restore the polish as well.

WOMAN'S CROWNING GLORY

Is her hair. If yours is streaked with gray, grizzled, thin, use "La Creole" Hair Dressing and change it in the natural way. Price \$1.00—Adv.

No Fun for Him

The after-dinner chatter never enjoys the moment as well as the fellow who starts the applause.

Fireproof buildings are protected with fire escapes just the same.

HEALTH WAS WRECKED

Nothing Brought Relief Until Doan's Was Used. Wonderful Improvement Was Evident.

"I had such awful cutting pains in the small of my back and hips, I often had to cry out," says Mrs. Ernest Wiethe, 800 Madison St., St. Charles, Mo. "The pain was knife-like and I couldn't turn in bed, in fact I was almost helpless. My feet and ankles swelled badly, my hands were puffed up and there were swellings under my eyes."

"I often got so dizzy I had to sit down to keep from falling and my health was completely broken down. The kidney secretions poured terribly in passage and in spite of all the medicine I took, I kept getting worse until I was a wreck."

"By chance I read about Doan's Kidney Pills and bought some. After I had used half a box there was a change and I continued to improve; the pains, aches and swellings left and my health returned."

Secure to before me, WM. F. WOLTER, Notary Public, ALMOST TWO YEARS LATER, May 23, 1917. Mrs. Wiethe said: "I think as highly of Doan's as ever. Whenever I have used them, they have benefited me."

Get Doan's at Any Store, 60c a Box. DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS. FOSTER-MILBURN CO., BUFFALO, N. Y.

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